



State Board of Education
CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE
March 31, 2014
Room 541– Cross State Office Building
MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Martha Harris, Chair

OTHERS PRESENT: Scott Brown, Director of School Facilities Services
Ann Pinnette, Program Administrator
Jim Rier, Commissioner

CALL TO ORDER: 9:00 a.m.

Minutes of March 03, 2014 were approved as written.

Federal Qualified School Construction Bond Program - Ann Pinnette

Ann gave an update of the current status of the program. The Committee then considered the exhibit: Federal Qualified School Construction Bond Program. Maine has a 2010 QSCB balance of \$764,457 available for allocation to school units. Seven school administrative units submitted QSCB applications to the Department during the current application cycle requesting bonding authority. The Department reviewed the applications and determined whether the school units and their proposed projects meet the criteria of using bond proceeds for construction, rehabilitation, or repair of a public school facility or for acquisition of land on which such a facility is to be constructed. The Committee voted to send the exhibit to the Board with the recommendation that it be approved.

Major Capital Construction Program – Jim Rier

Additions to the Approved Projects List for Rating Cycle 2010-2011;

The State Board of Education approved six capital projects to the Major Capital Construction's Approved Projects List on January 11, 2012. The Commissioner is now recommending that an additional six projects be added to the list. In accordance with Chapter 61, Rules for Major Capital School Construction Projects, Section 5 Approved Projects List "Placement on the Approved Projects List is an acknowledgement that the pupils in the rated facility have a significant need to be housed under improved circumstances. It does not assure replacement of the facility (ies) that received the rating. If resources do not allow all the projects on the Approved Projects List to be funded, the unfunded projects will be placed at the top of the Approved Projects List of the next Rating Cycle."

The Committee voted to support the Commissioner's recommendation to add additional projects to the Approved Projects List and to send it to the State Board of Education with a recommendation that it be approved.

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 9:50 a.m.